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FM AMEMBASSY TUNIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1599

INFO USINT ALGIERS

AEMBASSY BEIRUT 1691

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY RABAT

AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

USUN NEW YORK 533

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SUBJECT: TUNISIAN REACTION TO BEIRUT RAID

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1. THERE HAS BEEN VIRTUALLY NO ECHO IN TUNISIAN PRESS OR RADIO OF CHARGES U. S. COMPLICITY IN ISRAELI TERRORIST ATTACK BEIRUT. SINCE OUR LAST REPORT A WEEK AGO (REF A), WE HAVE DETECTED ONLY TWO VERY BEIRF REFERENCES IN TUNISIAN PRESS. ONE WAS IN INDEPENDENT AS- SABAH, WHICH SIMPLY TRANSLATED A COLUMN " LIBRE OPINION" FROM PARIS LE MONDE APRIL 15-16 WHICH MADE SLIGHT REFERENCE TO U. S. COMPLICITY BUT BY NO MEANS STRESSED MATTER. SECOND REFERENCE WAS IN OFFICIAL FRENCH LANGUAGE L' ACTION FOR APRIL 17 WHICH, AT END OF LONG ARTICLE ENTITLED " LEBANON AT HHE CENTER OF MIDDLE EASTERN TRAGEDY" STATED: " INFORMATION ORGANS OF THE PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE, AND OFFICIAL PSRESS OF CERTAIN ARAB COUNTRIES, HAVE FORMALLY ACCUSED U. S. AND THREATENED TO STRIKE AT AMERICAN INTERESTS ... IN PRESENT CLIMATE, APPEALS FOR REASON HAVE LITTLE CHANCE OF BEING HEARD BY EVERYONE."

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2. I LIGHT REPORTS FROM OTHER POSTS ON THESE FALSE CHARGES,
THIS IS REALLY OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE IN TUNISIAN MEDIA.
WE HAVE HEARD NOTHING ON RADIO, AND NOTE FBIS LONDON HASN' T
MENTIONED ANYTHING EITHER.

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